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HARTFORD MULTICULTURAL HEALTH FAIR! FOCUS IS ON HEALTH WITH FREE FLU SHOTS

---NEWS ADVISORY---

Mayor Eddie A. Perez is pleased that the City's Health and Human Services Department is offering free flu shots at its Multicultural Health Fair on **Thursday November 6, 2008 from 12**Noon to 7:00 PM at Pope Park located at 30 Pope Park Drive, in Hartford's Parkville neighborhood.

Free flu shots will be offered to **adults over 18 years of age on a walk in basis**. Individuals under 18 should seek the flu vaccination through their own doctor or at a community health center.

The fair will include other health services such as blood pressure screenings, bone marrow screenings for future donor matching, lead testing for children 6 and under, information and referral on nutrition, tuberculosis, hepatitis A, B and C, smoking cessation, cancer, vaccines for children, maternal child health services and food safety practices. All of these services will be provided in several languages or via translators who will be available to assist. In addition, the fair will include cultural entertainment such as a martial arts demonstration, Brazilian and Puerto Rican singers and a Capoeira (a Brazilian form of martial arts) performance.

A shuttle made possible by the Community Renewal Team will provide transportation. The shuttle will depart from 1921 Park Street to Pope Park between 12 Noon and 6 PM and it will make trips back and forth as needed.

For more information or further questions please contact Rita Kornblum at (860) 547-1426 ext: 7188.